



PENTUCKET POND (Haverhill)

General Information:

This interesting 49-acre pond, owned by the city of Haverhill, has a maximum depth of 23 feet and an average depth of ten feet. Aquatic vegetation is scant, although there are some emergents scattered through the coves and shallows.

The city owns a boat ramp and 11-car parking lot located on the south side of the pond off Lawrence Street. However, **the use of any type of motor is prohibited** on this pond, hence most craft are either canoes or rowboats. Shore fishing access is excellent.

Fish Populations:

This pond was last surveyed in 1978 at which time seven species were recorded: largemouth bass, chain pickerel, bluegill, pumpkinseed, yellow perch, yellow bullhead and brown bullhead. The pond is stocked with trout (usually rainbows) in both the spring and fall.

Fishing:

This is an excellent trout pond during the spring and fall seasons. Although fishing pressure can be high, particularly in the spring, angler success is generally high as well, even from shore. Worms, salmon eggs and marshmallow doughbaits are all very effective, as are small spinners and spoons. The warm water fisheries resources are another matter. The yellow perch (which dominated our sample) tend to be of small average size, as are the bass. Although pickerel are numerous and can provide some good action, their population appears to display the effects of high fishing pressure, and average size overall is on the small side.

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